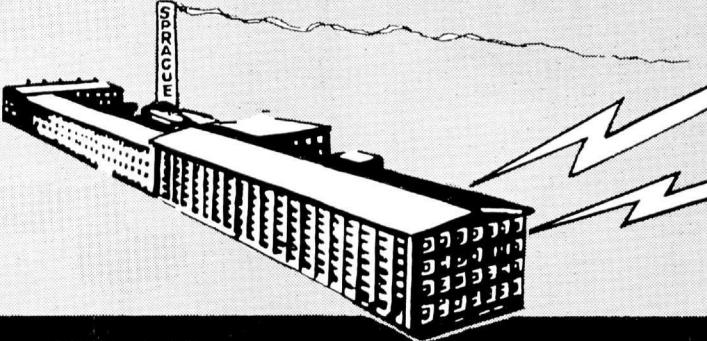
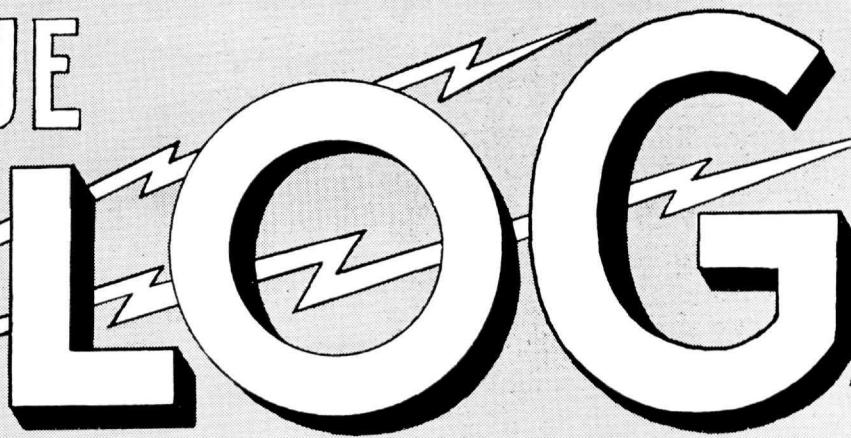


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Management Dinner

The annual Management Dinner and Dance was held on Saturday, January 29, at the Richmond Hotel. There were 177 employees and guests present for the delicious roast beef dinner which was followed by dancing to Al Trude's Orchestra. Two number dances were run by Jack Washburn, one for the men and one for the women. Mrs. Fred Crosier tripped away with the ladies' prize and John Puppolo won for the men.

BOY SCOUT ANNIVERSARY

This week marks the 39th anniversary of the Boy Scout movement in the United States, the program having been brought here from England where it was started.

Mr. Charles Wilson, who is in charge of our Salvage Department, was a member of the original Boy Scout Troop which was founded by Lord Baden Powell on Brownsea Island. Mr. Wilson was active some years ago in organization work in Berkshire County.

The following Sprague employees are active in the Trail District Berkshire Council: Art Ceely—Cub Committee Chairman, Pack No. 59; Walt Schroder, Cubmaster, Pack No. 59; Charles Dean, Committeeman Troop No. 59; Peter Mancuso, Member-at-large; William Lesure, Jr.—Troop Committee Chairman, Troop No. 5; Harold Twitchell, Member Organization and Extension Committee, Trail District; Tom Cullen, Chairman Organization Extension Committee, Trail District; Donald Viens, Assistant Scout master, Troop No. 42; Lloyd Bullett,



WINTER AT LAST

While all the ardent skiers
Are yearning for the snow
And waiting for the temperature
To go down very low;

When all they get is rain and rain
And weather really mild;
Isn't that about enough
To drive the skiers wild?

While all the little children wait
For sliding on the hill,
And ashes are rubbed on runners
To make them faster still;

Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop No. 60; Jackie Dube, Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop No. 58; Ed Godek (from Adams which is in Greylock District) is Troop Committee Chairman; Howard Sherman, Troop Committee, Troop No. 63, Stamford, Vermont; and Daniel Donovan, Troop Committee, Troop No. 36.

Trail boys plan a show to be held this week.

When all there is is sunshine
And a little misty rain;
Isn't that enough to make
Those little ones complain?

When the silvery snowflakes tumble
down,
Imagine the delight
Of skiers on a rugged slope
On a cold and frosty night;

And happy people sliding —
The young and old together —
Or skating on a frozen pond
In our cold New England weather.

—Marion B. Caron

Sprague Men Nominated In Stamford

When Stamford, Vermont held its annual caucus last week, the following Sprague employees were nominated for office: Howard Sherman, of Beaver Street, selectman for three years; Warren Clough, of Marshall Street, Assessor for three years; and Richard Norcott, of Beaver Street, Auditor for two years to complete the term of Dewey Tanner who resigned.

Gum Machines To Aid Local Kiwanis Fund

The gum machines which you will see in the various plants are installed for the purpose of helping the local Kiwanis Club in its Wading Pool program for our North Adams children. Two pools have already been built and all proceeds from these machines will go into the Fund for enlargement of this project.



Indian Patrol Troop No. 42, under the leadership of Donald Viens of the Warehouse Department at Marshall Street, made these head-dresses and costumes themselves.

BASEBALL STARS GUESTS AT Y.M.C.A. DINNER

Many Sprague Fathers and Sons Get Autographs

On Tuesday evening, Feb. 1, 1949, the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium was the scene of an elaborate banquet spread for some 300 fathers and sons. The guest speakers were two American League Baseball stars. They were Johnny Pesky, brilliant third sacker of the Boston Red Sox, and Eddie Pellegrini, former Red Socker and now with the St. Louis Browns. Our own Ralph Boisjolie was General Chairman and his tireless behind the scenes efforts, were mainly responsible for the huge success enjoyed. Master of Ceremonies was "Bobby" Shorty Rohane. Whatever Bobby lacks in size he more than makes up with his pleasing personality and wit. Mr. H. B. Clark, Civic Leader in the community and President of

the Y spoke briefly. Mayor James A. Bowes then spoke on behalf of the City, Mitchell F. NeJame Y. M. C. A. association head followed His Honor at the speakers' platform. A toast from the Fathers to the Sons was given by William LeSure. A toast by the Sons for the Fathers was given by Jimmy Coughlin and this lad all but stole the show with his remarks.

Just before the guest speakers were called on, Mr. Ed. Battley, Secretary of the Y gave a few well chosen remarks.

Eddie Pellegrini proved to be the better after dinner speaker than his buddy Johnny Pesky. He said he was sorry to have left Boston but his Brownie teammates would have a lot to say before this year's pennant race was decided.

Johnny Pesky talked briefly on baseball and his career but was very modest on his own ability as a ball player. He spoke to the sons especially about being good boys — the kind their Dads would be proud of and be an asset to the community. Some real witty jokes were given and if we had the time and

space we might venture to repeat them. However, we will just say that both boys were well received and besides lots of good foot-singing was enjoyed and music played by Hugh Dick was a treat.

High Lights

When Eddie Pellegrini was springing a joke about Jim Bagby and got a shock from the "Mike", and said, "Gee, Jim I didn't think you cared." Bobby Rohane also was tickled with that live microphone.

Johnnie and Eddie must have had writers' cramps as they signed autographs practically all evening and never refused one.

Ernie Purpura was there with his son and kept breaking into the kids line to get autographs from the ball players. I have a sneaking suspicion that he was getting them for some of the fathers.

"Hank" Gamari was sitting practically at the head table and was so bitten with envy watching the ball players sign autographs that he began

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Guest table at the Y-Dinner. Seated: Robert Rohane, Johnny Pesky, Father Russo, Eddie Pellegrini. Standing: second from left, Hank Gamari, Ralph Boisjolie and a group of young autograph enthusiasts.

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ABE'S FIRST DOLLAR

The following story is told in Lincoln's own words and shows plainly the simple respect he had for the ability to earn money: "Seward, you never heard, did you, how I earned my first dollar? Well, I was about eighteen years of age. I belonged to what they call down South, the 'scrubs': people who do not own slaves are nobody there. But we had succeeded in raising, chiefly by my labor, sufficient produce, as I thought to justify me in taking it down the river to sell. After much

persuasion, I got the consent of mother* to go, and constructed a little flatboat, large enough to take a barrel or two of things that we had gathered, with myself and little bundle, down to New Orleans. A steamer was coming down the river. We have, you know no wharves in the western streams and the custom was, if passengers were at any of the landings, for them to go out in a boat to get aboard the steamer. I was looking at my new flatboat and wondering whether I could make it stronger or improve it in any particular when two men came down to the shore in carriages with trunks and, looking at the different boats, singled out mine, and asked, 'Who owns this?' I answered somewhat modestly that I did. 'Will you', said one of them, 'take me and our trunks out to the steamer?' 'Certainly', said I. I was very glad to have the chance of earning something. I supposed that each of them would give me two or three bits. The trunks were put on my

flatboat, the passengers seated themselves on the trunks and I sculled them out to the steamboat. They got on board and I lifted up their heavy trunks and put them on deck. The steamer was about to put on steam again when I called out that they had forgotten to pay. Each of them took from his pocket a silver half-dollar and threw it on the floor of my boat. I could scarcely believe my eyes as I picked up the money.

You may think it was a very little thing, and in these days, it seems to me a trifle; but it was a most important incident in my life. I could scarcely credit that I, a poor boy, had earned a dollar in less than a day — that by honest work I had earned a dollar. The world seemed wider and fairer before me. I was a more hopeful and confident being from that time.

Lincoln to Seward in Mrs. P. A. Hanford — Abraham Lincoln.

The Little Things That Count



BUSY BEAVER NEWS

not find out, girls.

Mary Zito went on a weekend trip to New Haven, Conn.

Mildred Smezek lost a friend — a tooth.

Anna Downey, we all wish you would smile a little more. You have a beautiful set of teeth.

Lillian Aubin, we all think you have the sweetest smile; where did you get those dimples?

Catherine Marra was heard singing a few old songs that brought back memories to several ladies.

Frank Major is in the red again. He and Rose Casuscelli are going to have a boxing match some noon hour.

Henry Meczywir and Frank Major attend classes each week; they say they like their teacher. What we want to know is who is the teacher?

Stanley has been playing "Stop the Music" lately; the music, it stopped! You all wait for that bell to ring, gang.

F. P. Drys

By Florence Harris

A big welcome to all of our new workers.

The day shift is going to miss you, June Bunting, but I'm sure the night shift will enjoy having you with them.

Best wishes to Claire Mongeon and to Edward Daniels whose engagements were announced recently.

You know, Peg Descoteau, running out of gas is an old story, but it doesn't seem as though you need an excuse for parking with your husband.

Joan Andrews, if you forget to turn in a time record one day, it just won't do to turn in four the next day especially if three of them are blank.

As well as learning my job, Florence Hannaleck, you are also learning my habit of saying the wrong things at the wrong time. By the way, aren't two Florence's confusing?

Phil Roberts, where did you get that hat?

Bob Sinderman was very busy one day finding all the little drafts coming in the windows and blocking them with cardboard. Are you really that cold, Bob?

Misc. Paper Finish

By Velma Lincoln

We welcome to the department Rita Allard and Barbara King.

Happy Birthday to Edna Czertniewicz and Lucille Beaudry! I did

Louis Vanuni—"Resolved not to break any more front bumpers on the Plymouth."

Paul Baumann—"Resolved not to tease for any more skins."

John Burdick—"Resolved to be as good as gold for the whole year."

Danny Mossolani — "Resolved to make a better effort in my job as Safety Representative."

George Manchester—"I don't have to make resolutions; I behave all the time."

Bill Schink—"Resolved to be as good as John Burdick if the boys don't pick on me."

Earl Williams—"Resolved to see that 'Limp' keeps his promise to leave Schink alone and thereby establish a peaceful nut house."

Limp DePaoli—"Resolved to quit picking on Bill Schink — well almost."

OUR SAFETY CORNER



Poor housekeeping is one of the leading causes of accidents in industry and at home. Aisles cluttered with materials, dirty stairways, oily floors and objects out of place have been contributing factors in many accidents. The clean, well-ordered plant presents less in the way of physical hazards than the poorly kept one. It is important that we take care to keep clean. A minute taken to pick up an object on the floor may mean a year extra — or even years extra — in someone's life. Let's clean up!

A. C. Sand Centrifuge

By Harry and Elaine

Welcome to Bernard Barbeau and Harry F. Embry. Hope you like working with us.

Owning a new car is all well and good but it interferes with your social activities. For example, our Dugie owns a new Ford and every ten minutes he tries to drop what he is doing and go out to polish it.

Alice hurt her finger on the machine and now she has an oversized finger. How does it feel, Alice?

Could it be that a person could sigh and say "I have one foot in the grave" simply because he happened to be bored?

WEDDINGS

WOLFRUM - MAXIMILLIAN

Miss Julia Maximillian, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maximillian of Greenville, S. C., and Walter R. Wolfrum, son of Mrs. Clara Pellerin of Main Street were married on January 20 in the First Baptist Church of Greenville. The bridegroom is employed in formation.

RAYCROFT - RISING

Mrs. Margaret Elizabeth Rising of 11 Union Street and Franklin William Raycroft of Hoosac Tunnel, were married on January 27, in St. John's Episcopal Church. The bride is employed at Brown Street Molding.

BROWN STREET BRIEFS

Prokar Dept.

By Carol Bellard

A surprise party was held for Sophie Christiano at the home of Alice Monette. A lovely lunch was served by the hostess and Sophie received many beautiful gifts. Alice Monette furnished very nice piano selections; Cele, had to steal the show by having her lunch in a high chair. And what's this about waiting for the bus, Cele? I'll bet you made quite a splash.

Welcome back, Elouise Lewis; let's cut out getting such hard colds. We do like your company, you know.

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Clara Bourdon on the loss of her father and to Mary Tassone on the loss of her father-in-law.

Industrial Oil

By Ann Heath

Welcome to our department—Dick Saunders.

William Sheldon is in the North Adams Hospital where he underwent an operation. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Bill, and are glad to know you are getting along so well.

Bill sent his thanks for the flowers and cigarettes sent by the department and the Cover Assembly.

Barbara Solari came back from the lunch room the other day with both hands full. Margaret Green asked her for a match. Imagine Margaret's surprise when Barb plunked down the tray and gave her that "gag" match.

Did Bernard Stackpole get a Ton? His hair looks different lately.

What kind of cookies do Alma Haley and Dot Pringle eat? It takes us nine hours a day to keep caught up with them. Pass them around, girls.

Just because all the girls wanted to go on the sleighride with Charlie Slade, we had to call the whole thing off.

We extend sympathy to Agnes Miller on the death of her mother.

Plastic Finishing Dept.

By Marion B. Caron

Margaret Isherwood has the perfect cure for a bad cold — Rest! Warm! Bed! and Ginger Brandy! What fun, Margaret Sala has started a new fad which is reminiscent of the Gay Nineties. Surely some of you girls will remember the lovely garters which some of us used to wear. Well, Margaret has brought them back into being with something "added". She uses very gay colors and adds little novelties to them. The red ones she has which advertise Camels are indeed rare and guess what? She makes them herself.

We wonder why some of the girls are so interested in their Wishing Well and Horoscope every day. It is pathetic the way Gerry Perrin and Helen Dube struggle every noon trying to figure these matters out. While this goes on, Anna Mae Jammallo ponders over the identity of the face in the "What's My Name" Contest.

There's an artist in our crowd. George Simon has done some beautiful paintings and to say they are lovely is to put it mildly. They're terrific!

We had recent word from Phyllis Trombley who is in boot training at Great Lakes, Illinois. She is enjoying a rather rugged routine and assures us of a visit — come April.

We extend to Phyllis Brooks and family our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

Molded Tubulars—Night Shift

By Jean Bleh

We welcome Mary Montagna to our department. With two Mary's working in inspection, someone will have to pick a nickname.

Martha Mantello has taken another job but she's still in the department. We would miss her laugh and her wit, and are glad she's still with us.

Gerry Giusti has taken Martha Mantello's place on color code. Hope you enjoy working with the kids there.

George Girard must be pretty near sixty with all the happy birthdays he has.

PAA Midget Assem. Dept.

By Vickie LaMore

We welcome the cementers back. We're sure that the solderers won't have so many rejects now.

Wedding bells will soon ring for Jackie Miller. Will it be in April, Jackie?

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Miller on the death of her mother.

Since Celia Shanahan is coming back on cementing, we're all expecting some new adventure stories.

Our room can now boast of having the only Sprague supervisor who says "Caunt" for can't because he came from Boston.

K.V.A. Industrial Oil

By Lenore and Joy

"Humphrey" Davis ate six sandwiches, two pieces of cake, an apple and then cried because someone took his candy bar. He claims he's trying to reduce to a 32 inch waistline like Peg. *Theme Songs of KVA:*

Dingle Laird—"Oh, How I Hate to Get Up In The Morning."

Joan Gallese—"Just A-Knitting and A-Rocking"

Kenny Russell—"So In Love"

Viv Shaw—"Because"

Mary Santelli — "Those Wedding Bells Are Breaking Up That Old Gang Of Mine"

Dot DeSanty has returned to the KVA. Once you work here it's impossible to break away.

Molded Tubulars -- Night Shift

By Gladys Kirkpatrick

We would like to take this opportunity to offer our heartiest welcome to the new girls in the Eyelet and Wire Department of Molded Tubulars; we hope you enjoy working with the gang on nights.

More of Our Song Personalities:

Maria Fox—I'm Sending You A Big Bouquet of Roses.

Bertha Shepard—Memories

Ella Gero—Pretty Baby

Emma Falcon—I Have But One Heart

Mary Sullivan—

When My Ship Comes In

Wanda Scaritto—

When You Were Sweet Sixteen

Jeannette Lavigne—

If I Had My Life To Live Over

Hazel Moulton—Alice Blue Gown

PAA Rolling



A table at the Management Dinner. Left to right: Miss Mollie Avery, Mrs. P. B. Alger, Mr. Alger, Mrs. Lars Anderson, Mr. Anderson, Mrs. Robert Peters and Mr. Jesse Allison.

PAA Midget Assem. Dept.

By Vickie LaMore

If there's anything you want to know about knitting, just see Helen Kordel. She's our instructor during noon hour and she can tell you anything you want to know about argyles, cables, basket stitch, etc. You could make a business out of this, Helen.

If they ever had an academy award for the best liked girl in our room, I'm sure Isabelle Lyons would win by a landslide.

I'd like to know where Helen Cutler gets her flashy socks. I don't mind, Helen, but they hurt my eyes.

Whenever I want to know the title of an old favorite song or the tune, I always ask Marion Parrino because she knows them all. I particularly like to hear her sing some of the late Russ Columbo favorites.

Strange expression overhead: "Okay, let's go out for a smoke before I have a nicotine fit."

Prokar

By Priscilla Douglas

Heard daily at 9:15 a.m.: Nita Crescimbeni to Rose Pasotti, "Will you please bring me up some straws?" From just around the corner a voice pops up "Oh, you poor thing!" Now who can that be? The chatterbox?

Best wishes for your birthday, Bea, from the gang.

Wire Coating

By Corena Tatroe

We were wondering why "Pete" Lepage had such a big smile when he came in the other day. Now we know. The Lepage's are celebrating the birth of a baby daughter. Congratulations to both of you.

We are happy to have Betty Neveu and Ernest Gamache back with us again.

Betty Jangrow has solved the problem of transportation. The Jangrow's have acquired a horse. Whoa! a horse! You know one of 'em there overgrown four-legged animals' with a mouth that opens like a trapdoor. If you hear sleighbells one of these days, you will know it is Betty and Old Dobbins.

Helen Burdick and Al Peck were the winners of the pool for the last two weeks.

Molding Dept - Molded Tubulars 3rd Shift

PROPHET REAPS PROFIT

By Tom Sullivan

Weather prophet Billy Beaudin Bet a nickel 'twould be snowing

Silly said, "Oh not to-day."

But as usual, he has to pay.

Silly, and Belleur are the squires,

Who willing buy, his daily wares.

Why don't Beaudin change vocation,

And head the Pittsfield Weather Station?



(1) Family of Marie LeMoine who works in Vitamin Q; Joan Marie, Raymond Jr., Carol Ann, Mr. and Mrs. LeMoine; (2) Catherine Spadea, ten-year old daughter of Ralph of KVA; (3) Jerry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Barlik of Molded Tubulars; (4) Verne Harrington, formerly of Marshall Street and brother of Lenore Harrington of KVA; (5) Carol and Robert Anderson, grandchildren of Margaret Anderson of AC Line and of Henry Anderson of Marshall Street. (6) Frances Edward Daub, son of Louis of D.T.Q.; (7) The Camp of Oliver O'Dell of Centrifuge, at Hinsdale, Mass.; (8) Denise Marie and Cheryl Lynne Steffens, daughters of Lillian of Plastic Finishing; (9) Joseph Pisano, son of Alice of A.C. He is stationed at Ft. Meade, Md.; (10) Michael John Lambert, six-months old son of Helen of Dry Rolling and Clovis of Ovens; (11) Dorothy Grant, daughter of Caroline of Miscellaneous Paper Finishing; (12) Harry Francis Gillis, Jr., six-months-old grandson of Hazel L'Eucy of K.V.A.

MARSHALL STREET "Memos"

Ceramics

By Ida Gigliotti

We wish to take this opportunity to extend to Ray Brouillet our congratulations on his approaching marriage to Mildred Embry. We wish you both the best of luck and many happy years to come.

I've heard of "King for a Day", but king for an evening is the distinct honor bestowed on Roy Rakar. Mrs. Rakar had the honor of being crowned "Queen of the Ski Ball" which was held at the Sheraton Hotel in Pittsfield recently.

Paging Muscles Sweeney! Excuse me, I mean Louise. She has been showing off the beautiful muscle she has developed so we have dubbed her "Muscles".

Virginia and Norma enjoy the noon-time card game, but it seems they don't have a chance against Mr. Wilson and Arthur. Never mind, girls, you know what they say: "Unlucky at cards — lucky in love."

Oliver spent the weekend in New York City. I hope he doesn't come back with a Brooklyn accent. That would be too much.

Western Electric

By "Me"

Rae LaVera is teaching Hank Armata Italian. It's something to hear.

Mary Samia is counting the days before she can tie a ball and chain on her "that man" permanently. When she thinks of it she gets that gleam in her eye.

If we could only hear Johnny's thoughts when his partner in Whist trumps his ace!

Question of the week: Who goes parking on the Mohawk Trail? Answer in the next issue.

High Schools in the Berkshires:



Well fans, Pittsfield High has finally found itself and is now living up to its early season predictions of being the team to beat for the Northern Berkshire Crown. Adams had come back strong after its opening defeat suffered at the hands of Coach Art Foxes boys and looked like champions while Pittsfield was having its hands full at every outing. In fact its arch rival Pittsfield St. Joseph all but wrapped up the ball game only to lose a heart-breaker in the closing half minute.

However when Pittsfield met the red-hot Adams five on the spacious Armory court in the Shire City they unleashed a third quarter attack that cooled down the Mother Town Lads no end. After soundly whipping the Adams five for the second time the Foxes journeyed to Williamstown and played another banner contest with Capt. Quadrozzi leading the attack with 26 points.

Yes, unless a miracle of upsets take place it looks like Pittsfield with points to spare. At this writing Pittsfield is in front with Adams second and Drury third. Drury has played similar to Williamstown—hot and cold. On one of their good nights both of these clubs can more than hold their own with any team in the league.

Joe Kocezel of Adams recently dumped 11 straight foul shots in their game with Williamstown. Incidentally, Joe was primarily responsible for that win over the College Town lads.

Down the County the So. Berkshire league is having another merry race with Searles, Lee and Williams providing most of the fireworks.

Oh-Yes-Williamstown and Searles will represent Berkshire County in the Small Schools Boy Tourney held annually in Amherst this year.

Ken Russell

SPORTS . . .

Girls' Bowling League Standing (As of Feb. 1, 1949)

Team Standings:	Won	Lost
Industrial Oils	44	10
Beaverettes	43	11
W. E. Rollers	32	22
Gutter Girls	28	26
Independents	26	28
Paper Ignition	22	32
D.T.Q.	10	44
Dry Rolling	10	44
High Ind. Sing e—Leah Lesure	124	
High Ind. Triple—Leah Lesure	308	
High Team Single—Ind. Oils	497	
High Team Triple—Ind. Oils	1365	
Strikes — Hazel Martell 11.		

High Individual Averages on Separate Teams:

Name and Team	Ave.	Stgs.
H. Martell, Paper Ign.	91.9	54
I. Witherow, Ind. Oils	91.3	48
C. Bialiakos, Beaverettes	89	54
E. Stack, Gutter Girls	87.1	45
M. Wohler, Independents	85.1	54
I. Anton, W. E. Rollers	83.3	51
C. Risch, D.T.Q.	82.2	54
M. Dextradeur, Dry R.	80.6	47

DUSTY BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Standing Feb. 2

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Hunter Machine	4	0	1.000
YMCA Seniors	4	0	1.000
Marshall Street	2	2	.500
Prokars	1	3	.250
Sample Dept.	1	3	.250
Beaver Street	0	4	.000

Results, Saturday, January 29th

Y Seniors 41; Marshall 30
Hunter 51; Beaver 10
Prokar 53; Sample 25

Leading Scorers G B F P

Leading Scorers	G	B	F	P
H. Brown, Prokar	4	27	3	57
H. Saunders, Mar.	4	21	2	44
D. Saunders, YMCA	3	20	2	42
Racette, Mar.	4	15	1	31
D. Brown, Prok.	4	13	1	27
Fenton, Hunt.	4	12	3	27
B. Sprague, Hunt.	4	10	6	26

Final Games, 1st Half

Saturday, February 5th

1:00 P.M.—Marshall vs. Sample
2:15 P.M.—Beaver vs. Prokar
3:30 P.M.—Y Senior vs. Hunter

Winter Outdoor Sports

Well, at long last the Outdoor Winter Sport Fans are having their turn. All ski-centers throughout New England report from fair to excellent skiing with lifts and tow ropes in operation. Along with the additional snow the temperature has dropped and skating and ice-fishing are now scenes of the ardent fan.

Pittsfield's plan for skiing and skating Carnivals did not look possible a week or so ago but with the cooperation of Old Man Winter the events have taken place.

In the Berkshire Inter-scholastic Ski Championship Races held at the State Forrest at Pittsfield the home town team won top laurels for the seventh year in succession. Pittsfield's Ace, Verne Goodwin took three crowns and won the Besse-Clarke Trophy as the outstanding individual performer. Eleven schools competed with four preparatory schools in the competition.

For Drury, points were scored by Francis Gamari who placed fifth in the Slalom and James Shaw who came in fourteenth in the same event.

In the Down Hill Run, Jimmy Shaw of Drury placed eighth. Bruce Baumert took 10th position.

Drury placed 7th just behind Williamstown.

Here are the final team standings: Pittsfield—386.86; 2 Kingswood —348.96; 3 Deerfield—325.60; 4 Hotchkiss—311.20; 5 Berkshire—299.39; 6 Williamstown High—274.44; 7 Drury High—237.06; 8 Mount Pleasant High, Schenectady, N. Y.—227.32; 9 Nott Terrace High of Schenectady—221.72; 10 Adams High—207.39; 11 Lenox School—61.29.

PINK ICING

1 cup currant jelly 1/4 teaspoon salt
2 egg whites, unbeaten

Put the ingredients in top of a double boiler with hot water in the lower portion. Beat with a rotary egg beater until the jelly is free from lumps. Remove from the fire and continue beating until the mixture is stiff enough to stand in peaks. Spread on cookies,

large cookie and place smaller cookie on top. Bake on ungreased cookie sheets in moderately hot oven (425° F.) about 10 minutes.

Yield: 3 dozen cookies (2 1/2 inches in diameter).

PINK ICING

1 cup currant jelly 1/4 teaspoon salt
2 egg whites, unbeaten

Blend shortening and sugar thoroughly. Crush bran into fine crumbs; mix with dry ingredients which have been sifted together. Add to first mixture with milk and mix well. Roll dough thin on floured board. Cut with heart shaped cookie cutters, one large, one small. Spread icing on

Kenny Russell

SKATING

In the 4th Annual Berkshire Hills Speed Skating Championships, held on the Common Pink in Pittsfield, these Shire City skaters walked off with top honors. Nancy Ann Viner, champion skater in her class last year throughout North America won the juvenile girls class but was beaten in the one sixteenth mile race by another Pittsfield lass Angie Delsignore. The time established a new meet record. The entire affair was run off smoothly and the officials and committees in charge should be congratulated. The ice conditions were perfect and an enthusiastic crowd thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon's festivities.

All of the lakes and ponds in the Berkshires were literally dotted with the hardy outdoor ice fishermen. Although we did not hear of the various catches we do know the conditions were ideal and the Ice Fishing Carnival held on Pontoosac Lake in Pittsfield had a great turn out.

All in all fans who have awaited the winter had February 6th as just about the best of the year.

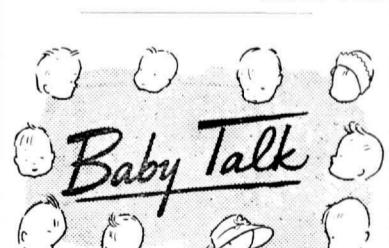
SHINING BLADES

Ray Larsen of Warehouse Point, Connecticut nosed out "Dicky" Simard and Bobby Dunn III, the two eleven year old grandsons of "Lou" Felix, Sprague watchman, at the Boston Gardens in the finals of the Silver Skates Midget Derby. The race was a two hundred and twenty yard dash and was twice around the garden. Simard surprised everyone by getting out in front at the start and Dunn was away second. They raced around in the lead with less than a half lap to go when Larsen who was in third position saw an opening and passed Simard going into the home stretch. Both Simard and Dunn gave chase after Larsen and the finish was a photo with all three finishing inches apart. Larsen was declared the winner with Simard getting second place. Dunn was awarded third place. The morning Record called it the best race of the day. They referred to the three finishers as all boys who know their way around on skates—but fast. Time was 26.4 for 220 yards. All three youngsters were awarded trophies for their efforts. Lou Felix was also a contestant in the senior men's derby and skated a quarter of a mile. Lou, as the oldest contestant, had his picture taken with the youngest contestant who was 16 months old. Lou had nearly 65 years on the youngster.

There were 136 entrants in the midget boys class at the derby and Simard and Dunn can be proud of their showing. The only North Adams skater to ever win first place in the derby was Bernie Auge who took intermediate honors several years ago.

Bobby Dunn III scored 40 points at Saranac Lake for the Pittsfield team. He finished second in the 220 yard dash, third in the 440 and third in the sixth of a mile contest. Pittsfield won the meet with a total of 400 points.

Charles Feix



BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Julius LePage are parents of a daughter born January 28 at the North Adams Hospital. The father is employed in Wire Coating.



February 7 - 28 HEART WEEKS

The Square Ring

Lew Jenkins, the former lightweight champ, who is making a comeback, is after his third win. Lew meets Chuck Burton.

Bert Lytell has been matched to fight Henry Vall in the middleweight class. Bert should take Vall easily.

Dennis Pat Brady is after hard hitting Lou Alter. Dennis will have a little trouble but will succeed.

Paddy DiMarco in the featherweight class, takes on Humberto Siena. Siena is a good lad from Havana and will give DiMarco a good go but not enough to beat him.

Bernie Docusen, welterweight from New Orleans, will give a lacing to Freddie Dawson.

Maxie Docusen, Bernie's brother, who fights in the lightweight class, takes on Pee Wee Sivingler. Maxie should take Pee Wee.

Joe Louis is getting a lot of boxing in his tour of exhibitions. He is matched with Dixie Lee Oliver, Elmer Violent Ray, Bill Graves and George Fitch in one week.

Kid Gavilan's toe-to-toe ten round win over Ike Williams should give the kid a good chance to fight Roy Robinson for the title. The fight of the month will be between Sandy Saddler and Willie Pep. The results of this contest will mean everything to Willie Pep. The whispering campaign as to whether Willie is washed up or not will be settled. I pick Saddler to win.

Melio Bettina, from New York, is making a comeback campaign at 192 lbs. He has won his seventh straight win over Enrique Pelpi from Argentina in ten rounds.

Tommy Varosy, middleweight class, was well out in front in beating Randy Brown.

Ray Robinson won a close finish ten round decision from Bobby Lee of Baltimore.

Peter Mancuso

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to pass out some of his own. By golly he got away with a few too.